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TAGS: OVIP (SIMON, WILLIAM)

SUBJECT: SECURITY ADVANCE FOR SECRETARY SIMON VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA

REF: (A) JIDDA 832 (041605Z FEB 76) (NOTAL), (B) USSS 8762

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1. PARA 10 REF A INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT "REGIONAL SECURITY OFFICER PHILIP D. GUTENSOHN WILL ADVANCE AND ARRANGE ALL SECURITY DETAILS. NO REPEAT NO SECURITY PERSONNEL NEEDS TO ARRIVE IN ADVANCE OF MAIN PARTY."

2. REF B INFORMS US OF THE INTENTION TO SEND FOUR SECRET SERVICE AGENTS TO JIDDA ON FEBRUARY 22 TO DO THE ADVANCE FOR SECRETARY SIMON'S VISIT. WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT BELIEVE THIS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE. RSO GUTENSOHN IS IN CLOSE LIAISON WITH THE SAUDI SECURITY SERVICES WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH OUR SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FROM 12 VISITS BY SECRETARY KISSINGER, ONE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT AND A PREVIOUS VISIT BY SECRETARY SIMON.

3. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT ALL MEMBERS OF SECRETARY SIMON'S PARTY INCLUDING SECRET SERVICE PERSONNEL ARRIVE WITH HIM ON HIS AIRCRAFT. IF THERE IS INSUFFICIENT ROOM ON SECRETARY SIMON'S AIRCRAFT, RECOMMEND THAT SECRET SERVICE PERSONNEL PLAN TO GO DIRECTLY TO RIYADH ON FEBRUARY 27 WHERE WE WILL ARRANGE SOME SORT OF ACCOMMODATION.

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JIDDA AND EMBASSY QUARTERS, INCLUDING EMBASSY OFFICERS'
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